

Sport—Theatricals—Athletics

THE ROYAL CIRCLES PHENOMENAL GROWTH SIGNIFICANT The Supreme Royal Circle of Friends of the World Makes Class of 236.

Dreamland Hall at Cottage and Vine, Tuesday night, November 30, witnessed the making of the largest class of candidates which was ever made into any Secret Society or Association in this city. It was the joint meeting of all Local Circles to make the class of candidates brought in. The class enrollment was 236. Of this number 152 were inducted into the mysteries of the Order that night, and the rest will be made in their respective Local Circles on their first monthly meeting. Many prominent men and women were in the class, among them Attorney L. A. Knox, Dr. O. D. Pyles, W. G. Mosely, Mrs. Evelyn Baldwin, Mrs. Frankie Johnson, Mr. H. A. Liden, Mrs. Pearl Dabney and several others.

MANY VISITORS PRESENT

There were many friends, Members of the Order in other States, present, and these were introduced by the Supreme Supervisor, Mr. A. L. Richmond. Among the visitors who spoke were Friend Patterson of Arkansas, Friend Moore of Texas, Friend Baker of Tennessee, The Presidents of the Local Circles were introduced and made splendid talks, after which the candidates were given an opportunity to express themselves, and all expressed themselves, saying that they thought the Royal Circle the greatest Fraternal Order that they had had the privilege of joining.

The Supreme Supervisor, Mr. A. L. Richmond, prefaced his remarks after explaining the benefits derived from being a Member of the Order by saying: I am a Member of eleven Fraternities, and they are all good, and doing a great work for our race, but the Royal Circle is the best, because it not only gives a Member the benefits while living, but also cares

for them in death. The Royal Circle pays \$7.00 per week for SICKNESS or ACCIDENT and pays \$150.00 at death, places a monument at the grave of each deceased member worth \$100, and after a membership of 90 days your Policy may be increased from \$150.00 as high as \$1,000. The joining fee for the campaign now running is \$3.50. The cost to stay in the Order is only \$1.25 per month and NO TAXES.

Mr. Richmond, who has an office at 1834 Paseo, and says he must have 6,000 members by July, and at the rate that the order is increasing it looks as if he would exceed this number. After the class was made an elaborate luncheon was served by the members for the class.

IDA M. VAUGHN CIRCLE GIVES CANDIDATE A FLORAL DESIGN.

Mrs. Henrietta Arnold of 1703 Lydia street, who died on last Friday, was to have been made a member of the Royal Circle Tuesday night. She died suddenly not having been sick at all. The Supreme Supervisor sympathizes with the bereaved family, and is only sorry that Mrs. Arnold did not live to become a member as the Royal Circle would gladly have paid the claim, as Mrs. Arnold would have been entitled to half benefits, which would have been \$75.00 and a monument placed at her grave. The policy of the Royal Circle is in full benefits after 90 days. Mrs. Vaughn who is President of the Circle to which Mrs. Arnold would have been a member, called her loyal Friends of the Circle together, and with the Supreme Supervisor gave a beautiful floral design, floating the colors and the name of the Royal Circle upon it.

For information regarding the Royal Circle call Mr. A. L. Richmond, Bell Grand 2471 or 2048, or call at the office, 1834 Paseo.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED BASE BALL CLUBS, SECOND ANNUAL MEETING A GREAT SUCCESS.

By Q. J. Gilmore, Special Representative of the Kansas City Sun.

Indianapolis, Indiana, Dec. 4.—Promptly on the hour of 9 o'clock, Andrew Rube Foster, the President of the Association called the meeting to order. The meeting brought base ball magnates and newspaper men from every section of the country. The meeting was held in the large assembly room of the Y. M. C. A. C. I. Taylor, the big base ball mogul of the Indiana Capitol assisted by the leading citizens of Indianapolis spared no pains to make the visiting magnates and Sporting Editors feel at home. The following cities and base ball clubs were represented. Kansas City Monarchs, by J. L. Wilkinson, American Giants by Andrew Rube Foster, The Detroit Stars, by Tenny Blunt, Indianapolis A. B. C. Ys, by C. I. Taylor, The St. Louis Giants, by Charles Mills, The Dayton Marcos, by John Mathias, The Chicago Giants, by Joe Green, The Bacharach Giants of Atlantic City, by John W. Connors of New York City, The Hilldals, by Edward Bolden of Philadelphia, The Cuban Stars, by Andrew Rube Foster, Cleveland by G. J. Tate and L. R. Williams, Columbus, Ohio, by Sol White, Pittsburgh, by A. M. Williams, and Nate Harris, Dr. Howard M. Smith and Harry St. Clair of Kansas City, Mo., mingled with the magnates, hoping to buy a franchise in the league.

The following Sporting Editors were present, Ira Lewis of the Pittsburgh Courier, Dave Wyatt, of the Chicago Whip, Frank Young of the Chicago Defender, A. D. Williams of the Sport World, W. Knox of the Freeman, Jackson of the Ledger, and Q. J. Gilmore, Kansas City Sun.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p. m. Friday so that the visitors could attend a banquet arranged by C. I. Taylor and the business men of the city, which was the greatest gathering of prominent men ever assembled around a table in the Hoosier Capitol. It was 12:30 when Foster informed the base ball magnates to return to the Y. M. C. A. to finish some very important business which kept the magnates busy until 5 a. m. Saturday. Chief Foster issued orders to be on hand at 9 o'clock, and when the roll was called all answered present but Tenny

Blunt of Detroit, and a committee was sent to escort the Michigan Magnet to the meeting. Tenny was found sound asleep in a taxi and informed the committee that he was afraid to go to bed.

The meeting adjourned Saturday evening to meet next year in Detroit as the guest of Tenny Blunt the owner of the Detroit Stars.

Several important changes were made in the league for next season. The Dayton Marcos were transferred to Columbus, Ohio, and will be known as the Columbus Buckeyes. The Cuban Stars go to Cincinnati, and will be known as the Cincinnati Cuban Stars. The Bacharach Giants and the Hilldals, will be the Eastern representatives in the league. Cleveland and Pittsburgh will be associate members of the league this year, and regular members the following season.

Andrew Rube Foster was reelected President, and a regular schedule will be followed the coming season. The past season was a great success, and the league played to more than 700,000 fans. The league has been fortunate in securing for the coming season the National League Parks, in Cincinnati, and Brooklyn, N. Y., also the league parks in Philadelphia. Colored base ball men of Cleveland and Pittsburgh, have secured grounds and have started the construction of model base ball plants. The Columbus, Ohio, team will use Neil Park, the home of the Columbus American Association team. Charles Mills, and his legal adviser, Judge Homer Phillips have started to enlarge the grounds in St. Louis and will be able to take care of 10,000 fans next season. Several exchanges of players were made during the meeting, the most notable one being the transfer of Jimmy Lyons to the American Giants.

Sidelights on the Convention. The O'possum supper which was scheduled for Friday night, was held on Thursday night when word was received that Q. J. Gilmore and Harry St. Clair were coming. They arrived Friday morning all smiles, thinking of the o'possum supper but when Dr. Howard M. Smith broke the sad news the Kansas City men started out to find Rube Foster and C. I. Taylor, who satisfied Gilmore and St. Clair by showing them where the supper was held.

Dave Wyatt, the dean of Negro Sport Editors, was on hand early to greet the other scribes on their arrival. Frank Young of the Defender, and Ira Lewis of the Pittsburgh Courier have started for Detroit so as to be there in time for the meeting next year.

Friday afternoon the thermometer registered 125 degrees during a certain discussion. C. I. Taylor and Charlie Mills accumbent to the heat. Yes, we all got rather warm but the big Mogul himself.

Col. Knox, the Dean of Negro Newspaper men visited the meeting Friday afternoon but had to leave. It was too hot for him.

A. D. Williams, the Editor of the Sport World was a rather busy man during the meeting, yes too busy to take notes. He spent some time on the front porch with a very prominent young lady of the City.

J. W. Connors, the big noise in base ball of New York City, and Edward Bolden, the Philadelphia Magnet, who have fought each other for the past five years, not even being on speaking terms, arrived in the Convention City together, and not only stopped at the same hotel, but slept in the same bed. We just could not believe it, and to make sure, we had a flash light picture taken of the two big eastern magnates while they slept. The picture will be published in all of the Eastern papers. Negro base ball in the East is now due a great boom.

The Bacharach Giants are now playing ball in Cuba. Charleston, Day, and Clark of the A. B. C's are in the line up.

Dr. Ward who served as major during the late war and was the ranking Negro Medical Officer acted as toast master during the banquet Friday night. Att'y Ranson, the General Counsel and Manager for Madam C. J. Walker Company was one of the chief speakers.

Mr. DeFrantz of the Y. M. C. A. did everything in his power to make the visitors comfortable during the sessions which were held in the "Y" building. Yes, the boys had plenty of good cigars to smoke. Thanks to Mr. DeFrantz.

The Negro Press was given the use of the Associated Press wires during the meeting.

Rube Foster left immediately after the meeting for Hot Springs, Ark., for a much needed rest before taking his team to Palm Beach, Fla., next month.

John Mathias the owner of the Dayton Marcos should have brought some

Alexander, McClain, Lane Britton, Wilson, Branan, Holman, Cunningham, Watson, Winfield, Eggleston, Jim Taylor, Murray, DeWitt, Brady.

Kansas City Monarchs—Rodriguez, Ray, Mothel, Donaldson, Crawford, Curry, Foreman, Smith, George Carr, Mender, Moore Fortunando, McNair, Rogan, Harper, Arumi, Woods, Hawkins.

St. Louis Giants—McAdoo, Thompson, Brooks, Wallace, Holtz, Danage, Stewart, Dudley, Blackwell, Finner, Wayne Carr, Kennard, Bennett, Oldham, Scott, Jelly.

American Giants—Dixon, James Brown, David, Brown, Grant, DeMoss, Bobby Williams, Marlar, Gans, Torrenti, Gardner, Reese, Marshall, Tom Johnson, Wickware, Tom Williams, Orville Higgins, J. Williams (South Car.) W. Force, (S. Car.) O'Neil (Orlando, Fla.)

Bacharach Giants—Redding, Stringbean, Williams, Treadwell, Shively, Rojo, Yank, Lundy, Marcelus, Barber, Mike Brown, Pugh, Means, Smith, Ryan, Wm. Pierce.

Indianapolis A. B. C.—B. H. Taylor, Day, Clarke, Jefferson, Washington, Charleston, Hudspeth, Mackey, Rile, Dismukes, L. Johnson, Jeffries Blackman, R. Williams, R. McClure.

NOTE—Chicago Giants and Cuban Stars lists are unavailable as we go to press, but will appear later.

THE SYMBOL OF THE UNCONQUERED.

The big new all-star Negro production, "The Symbol of the Unconquered," by Oscar Micheaux, to be shown at Love's Theatre No. 2, 12th street and Woodland avenue, seven days, commencing Sunday, December 12th, is the first Negro production to reach the screen with a story of Negro life without the "Uncle Tom" rot.

Mr. George W. K. Love of the Love Bros. Amusement Co. personally censored the production after it had passed the Censor Board, and it is understood that all the "Jim Crow" stuff was cut out and the production brought up to the high standard of the productions shown in Love's Theatres. The story is by a Negro and the camera work and art titles were done by Negroes and are a credit to the race.

The art titles are the finest that has been seen in a Negro production and the words "Negro," "Colored," etc., are done in capital letters. Nothing seems to have been overlooked by the director in making his production worth while.

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